Rajasthan to provide its share from the Hydro-power projects with Punjab;

(b) if so, comments forwarded to the concerned States in this regard; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) to (c) The share of Rajasthan has not been agreed so far in the Hydro-Power Projects of Punjab. The issue has been discussed at various fora in the past amongst the States Concerned and Government of India but so far no agreement could be reached.

Overdrawal of power by MSEB and MPSEB

2274. SHRI EKANATH K. THAKUR: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Maharashtra State Electricity Board (MSEB) and the Madhya Pradesh State Electricity Board (MPSEB) have been rapped by the Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (PGCIL) for overdrawals of 400-500 MW of electricity each; and

(b) if so, what action Government is planning to take against the defaulters?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA): (a) and (b) The Central Electricity Regulatory Commission (CERC) has been set up under the Electricity Regulatory Commissions Act, 1998. Its's function *inter-alia* include regulation of inter-State transmission of energy and promotion of competition, efficiency and economy in the activities of electrical industry. Central Electricity Regulatory Commission have issued the Indian electricity Grid Code (IEGC) which *inter-alia* includes operation parameters of the power system to enable it to function in the most efficient, reliable and economic manner. The Power Grid Corporation of India Limited (PGCIL) which has been designated as Central Transmission Utlity (CTUs) and manages the Regional Load Despatch Centres (RLDs) has been made responsible for ensuring grid discipline.